in respect of all complaints against selection of dealers/distributors. The complaints against the empanelled candidates are investigated by two officers of the concerned oil marketing company. The inquiry report is forwarded by the oil marketing company to the DSB. The Chairman, in consultation with the other members of the DSB, examines the report with reference to the complaint and conveys his directions/order for compliance by the oil company.

Cost of uniform at ONGC

2673. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees who have submitted Annexure "A&B" Format as per office order No. 1(33)/98-GA dated 12th February, 1999 of ONGC Ltd. in each region of ONGC in each year as against available employees;

(b) whether written consent of each employees is required in view of said office order dated 12th February, 1999;

(c) whether ONGC has done any violation with reference to said order in respect of transferring of cost of uniforms etc.; and

(d) whether the Ministry will take any action against ONGC; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The Office Order No. 1(33)/98-GA dated 12th February, 1999 was issued by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) for unionized category of employees. The number of such employees in position in ONGC as on 31.3.1999 was 19,341 and the number of such employees who had submitted Annexure 'A & B' as per the said Office Order was 17,857.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Reservation quota for allotment of CNG outlets

2674. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA:
SARDAR GURCHARAN SINGH TOHRA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 72 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20 Feb., 2001 and state:

(a) whether any reservation quota has been earmarked for out of turn allotment on priority basis of CNG outlets; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERTROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) No, Sir. At present in compliance with the orders of the Supreme Court and based on the demand, the CNG outlets are established in the existing petrol outlets, subject to their suitability as per safety and operational norms and only in select places the Indraprastha Gas Ltd. and Manager Gas Ltd. have put up their own outlets.

Discovery of oil at the Gulf of Khambhat

2675. SHRI R. P. GOENKA:
SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether fresh oil reserve has been discovered recently in the Gulf of Khambhat of the Gujarat coast by the consortium of the Cairns Energy (India), ONGC and Tata Petrodyne;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the prospects and present status of other exploratory drilling operations in progress in the same area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Consortium of the Cairns (India) Pvt. Ltd., Tata Petrodyne and Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd., (ONGC) has discovered Oil and Gas in Exploration Block CB-OS-2 in the Gulf of Khambhat. The details of these discoveries are as under :—

1. **Well** : CB-A-1 (Prospect A "Lakshmi") The well flowed gas at the rate of 0.8 Million Standard Cubic Metres per day (MMSCMD) through 56/64" choke.

2. **Well** : CB-B-1 (Prospect B "Gauri")-The well flowed gas at the rate of 0.53 MMSCMD and 0.48 MMSCMD, respectively through 1" choke from two separate zones. Another zone in the well also flowed oil and gas at the rate of 1039 barrel per day and 0.02 MMSCMD, respectively through 32/64 choke.

3. **Well**: CB-C-1 (Prospect C "Ambe") The Well flowed gas at the rate of 0.59 and 0.56 MMSCMD respectively through 96/64" choke from two separate zones. The well also flowed oil at the rate varying from 110 to 240 barrels per day from another zone.